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## RETAIL CLERKS' ORGANIZERS ACTIVE IN SALINAS AREA; UNION COVERS DISTRICT

Organizers for the Retail Clerks International Protective Association have started operations in the Salinas area and will shortly conduct organizational activity in Monterey, Watsonville, Santa Cruz and other towns of the Monterey Bay District.

James Thompson and Russell Mathiesen have made sufficient success in their organizational work in Salinas that the charter has been received for the district Retail Clerks Union.

At a Salinas meeting last week, response was better than had been anticipated and nearly all present were enthusiastic about the new union plans.

Salinas Labor Council leaders, including Secretary George Harter, President Peter Andrade, former Secretary W. G. Kenyon, and Building Trades Representative J. B. McGinley, and others, were visitors at the meeting of the clerks, and pledged support of other union organizations to the clerks.

Thompson said organizational work will be started at once in Santa Cruz and the nucleus of a Santa Cruz organization is expected there in a short time. The union will have headquarters in all major cities served.

All union representatives and members are urged to give support to the new Retail Clerks' Union by talking union to clerks in grocery and department stores, and by demanding that these clerks are union members and that the stores have union contracts.

## P. G. BARBER SHOPS PLACED ON BAD LIST

Two Pacific Grove barber shops were placed on the "We Don't Patronize" list of the Monterey Peninsula Central Labor Council last week when operators of the two places ignored the council's requests that they attend a meeting to explain their stand.

These two shops are Dan Simpson's Barber Shop and the Pelican Barber Shop, and the action is reported in the official minutes of the council, printed elsewhere in this paper.

Fish Cannery Workers Union members will meet tonight (Friday) and will complete plans for a dance of the membership on or about March 1.

Both the fishermen and the cannery workers have had a poor season because of adverse weather.

Labor Council opposition to the Case Bill (HR 5262) has been telegraphed to representatives in Congress by Council Secretary Wayne Edwards.

## BUY UNION! ALWAYS ASK TO SEE LABEL!

In an effort to improve union labor's standards in Salinas, the Central Labor Council this week opened a campaign to educate union members, store owners, business men, and townspeople of the value of buying only those items bearing a union label, of trading only in those places which display union house cards, and being served only by those persons wearing a union button.

REMEMBER: Unless an item bears a union label it is NOT union made throughout! Unless a place displays a union house card, it is NOT fully union! Unless the person serving you wears a union button, he or she is NOT fully a union member!

## Warehousemen Distributing Booklets on Job Insurance

Those desiring information on unemployment insurance are asked by Pete Andrade, secretary of Warehousemen 890, to call at the office, Main and John Sts., Salinas. Pocket size booklets, with questions and answers in condensed form prepared by the union, are available and any unionist is welcome to get a copy, says Andrade.

"Nothing so needs reforming as other people's habits." — MARK TWAIN.

## Lewis Presents Green With New Card In Miners

Miami, Florida  
An unexpected surprise came to AFL Pres. William Green as the result of the reaffiliation of the United Mine Workers of action of the executive council.

When UMW Pres. John L. Lewis arrived in Miami for a "welcome home" banquet with top AFL chiefs, he took out a crisp new card made out to Green and handed it to him with the announcement that Lewis had kept Green in good standing in the UMW throughout the seven years of estrangement. Green was expelled by the UMW when the AFL cut all ties from former affiliates that broke away to form the rival CIO.

## AFL Council Urging \$25 for 26 Weeks' Unemployed Benefit

Miami, Florida  
The AFL executive council called on Congress to enact legislation insuring unemployment compensation benefits of \$25 a week for 26 weeks, plus the full employment bill asked by President Truman and to advance the minimum wage to 65c an hour.

In a message to all congressmen, the council said that measures to care for the unemployment problem must not wait until a crisis has been reached.

"The legislative program advanced by the AFL has received warm and repeated endorsements from President Truman, but Congress which acted with great speed to protect business interests during reconversion, has delayed overlong to provide the great masses of our people with similar security."

## BAKERS WIN 17c BOOST IN DETROIT

Detroit, Michigan  
Bakery and Confectionery Workers Local 326 (AFL) has signed with all but one of the major Detroit bakeries. Treas. Jean Triplett claims the pact to be the best in this area and equal in protective features to any bakery agreement in the country. The raise is 17c an hour in installments.

Ten cents of the increase became effective Jan. 17. An additional 7c of the 10c is made retroactive to July 31, 1945. On Aug. 2 of this year the full 17c raise goes in force benefiting 1400 workers in nine establishments. Negotiations, punctuated by strike threats, lasted six months.

## Czechs Flay British Effort to Interfere With Nationalizing

Great Britain got a dressing-down from Antonin Zapodocky, chairman of the Czechoslovak Trades Union Congress, in a sharp statement saying the Czech people "need foreign help but we do not intend to tolerate interference in internal affairs from abroad."

The labor leader's statement, reported by Allied Labor News, was in reply to the recent British note condemning Czechoslovakia's nationalization program, threatening to withhold credits and limit trade, and demanding compensation in sterling currency for British interests.

## Green Requests Full Support of Yugoslav Drive

New York City  
All AFL unions were urged to collect and make available food for Yugoslavia's sickly and undernourished babies in an appeal by AFL Pres. William Green, who is a member of the American Committee for Yugoslav Relief.

"Many thousands in Yugoslavia and other countries will die during this winter because of a lack of fuel, food, clothing and medical supplies," he said. "Urgently needed foods are condensed and powdered milk, Pabulum, cod liver oil, strained and chopped baby foods, etc."

Weekly radio programs are broadcast from Station KBUR here under auspices of the Burlington Labor News. Labor achievements called to listener attention recently have included Labor Temple activities and the public services of union bus drivers and fire fighters.

## 'Little Biz' Notified of Job Coverage

Sacramento, Calif.  
The California "Unemployment Insurance Act" was amended at the last session of the legislature to cover employers of fewer than four workers. These smaller employing units previously had been exempt. Beginning Jan. 1, 1946, the law applies to all employers employing one or more individuals, and of course, to their employees.

With very minor exceptions, the State Unemployment Insurance Act now covers the same employers and employees as are subject to the Federal payroll tax for Old Age and Survivors Insurance under the Social Security Act.

The State Department of Employment sent notices of registration to all employers known to be affected by this change.

## Farmers Need Group Health

Washington, D. C.  
Group health service for the millions who live on farms or in towns of 2500 population or less is suggested in a new U. S. Dept. of Agriculture publication that handles the problem and the remedy in a straight-forward, progressive manner.

Progressive and labor groups will applaud the approach along with co-operatives, and might help the cause among the 57 million Americans it is designed to aid by circularization of the idea.

Entitled "Better Health for Rural America," the pamphlet contains plans for action for farm communities. Copies may be obtained from the Dept. of Agriculture, inter-bureau committee on post-war problems, Washington 25, D. C.

"THE HEALTHY COUNTRY"  
"There have been a lot of mistaken notions about what a healthy place the country is to live in," it states, showing that pneumonia, despite sulpha drugs and penicillin treatments, "takes a higher toll in the rural areas and small towns than in the larger cities." Maternal mortality is almost a third higher in the rural areas than in the larger cities. Infant mortality is one-fourth higher.

The problem is also made difficult by the shortage of doctors and dentists and other health workers in the small towns and rural areas—too few hospitals, hardly any specialists and not enough nurses. Public health and public welfare programs are far short of desirable minimum standards.

## Brewery Unions Deny Report of Rejoining AFL

Cincinnati, Ohio  
Inaccurate newspaper and radio reports that the United Brewery, Flour, Cereal & Soft Drink Workers (unaffiliated) are following the United Mine Workers back into the AFL are branded by the union as a "distortion of the facts."

"Our members are asked to bear in mind," says an official statement, "that no move toward reaffiliation is in progress at this time. The meeting with the AFL is merely what might be called a fact-finding conference."

The brewery workers are holding a conference in Cincinnati March 27-28 and sent the general secretaries to the Miami meeting of the AFL executive council to get official information on the present status of the jurisdictional dispute with the teamsters over beer truck drivers.

## Real Humanitarian

Mary Pickford, who has raised some chickens in her day, once found a cockerel who had broken his leg. While fixing up the injured member, she ordered her cook to kill a chicken for dinner. The cook, puzzled, asked why she wanted a healthy chick killed and was trying to heal this one. Mary gave her a long, withering look, rolled her eyes to heaven, put a hand over her heart, and, choking with emotion, cried: "I just couldn't stand it to have him break his leg and be killed all in the same day."

## Oil Barons Turn On Heat to Stop Probe of Pauley

Washington, D. C.  
Sen. Charles W. Tobey (R., N.H.) charged publicly that capitalistic interests on the east and west coasts had exerted pressure to get him to "call off" the public hearing into the nomination of Edwin W. Pauley, wealthy California oil man as undersecretary of the navy. Pauley is a former treasurer of the Democratic National Committee.

Pauley founded the Petrol Corp. of California which does an annual business of between \$40 and \$60 million, but he claims to have been on leave since 1941 although the company did an extensive government business during the war.

Tobey, who has long been a champion of liberal and labor causes in and out of the Senate, said "powerful people in Arizona telephoned powerful people in Washington to get a certain senator to get Tobey to call off the investigation."

Although Pauley denied he had urged senators to vote for a pending bill passed by the House recognizing state rather than federal government title to rich tide-water and reclaimed coastal lands, he did admit introducing W. W. Clary, special assistant to the attorney general of California to several senators. Clary wrote the bill now before the Senate, and California oil interests are actively backing its passage.

## Seek Pay Boosts For 200,000 in Navy Arsenals

Washington, D. C.  
The Navy Department was urged to consider increasing wages of some 200,000 employees of navy yards and arsenals across the country.

James J. McEntee, secretary-treasurer of the AFL Metal Trades Department, headed a 15-man delegation which presented the demands to Assistant Secretary of the Navy John L. Sullivan. The union proposal agreed upon at a conference attended by more than 100 representatives, is for restoration of the purchasing power of the dollar based on Jan. 1, 1941, figures.

"We're trying to maintain a decent living standard," McEntee said, "and we're asking the Navy Department to set an example for the rest of the country."

He said the last wage adjustment came in 1942 and provided for an 8 cents hourly boost.

## Typos Denounce Strikebreaking, Put Out Paper

Lafayette, Indiana  
Incensed by continued publication of the Journal-Courier by use of imported strikebreakers during the sixth week of a strike, the Intl. Typographical Union has started its own paper here.

Twice-weekly at first, with Sunday and Wednesday issues, the new paper, The Lafayette News, will be expanded to three-weekly and then to a daily, according to plans. Editor is Arthur Hoffmann, returned veteran of the "South Pacific and Japanese invasions, former artist and New York newspaperman."

ITU members said they will go to the FBI with their contention that the Journal-Courier violated federal law by importing strikebreakers across the Indiana state line from Chicago. The strike was called when the paper refused to incorporate the ITU book of rules in a contract.

## Marcantonio Really Goes to Town When He Flays Case Bill

Washington, D. C.  
The House heard a vivid description of the Case anti-labor bill from the floor from the lips of Rep. Vito Marcantonio (ALP, N. Y.).

Case's bill (HR 5262) was forced to the floor by the rules committee. It calls for the use of injunctions against labor, permits court action against unions and bans the boycott against employers fighting the labor movement.

Marcantonio told the House that despite the bill's "sanctioned declaration of policy," being named a bill to provide for the mediation of labor disputes "it was baked in the oven of the Republican National Committee with ingredients furnished by the National Association of Manufacturers and salt and pepper by some members of the rules committee. It is a bill for the protection of scabs."

## Labor Unity Crying Need, Lewis Avers

Miami, Fla.  
A declaration that the American Federation of Labor is "beyond cavil or peradventure, the most representative and dominant labor organization in America," came from Pres. John L. Lewis of the United Mine Workers as he assumed his seat as 13th vice-president of the AFL.

Lewis said the United Mine Workers "came back to the federation because we feel it is a constructive action in the interest of all labor and in the interest of a stabilized economy in the country."

AVOIDS CONTROVERSY  
The UMW chief declined to be drawn into any criticism of the CIO, nor did he give any encouragement to reports he would use his influence to persuade other unions to leave the CIO and return to the AFL.

"Unity in labor politics in America is desirable," he said. "Its attainment is labor's task, labor's obligation. Labor owes an obligation to the country to place its internal house in order."

## AFL FIGHTS WFTU'S BID TO 'ADVISE' WORLD BODY

London, England  
The general committee of the United Nations Organization has recommended that the World Federation of Trade Unions be allowed to participate in the UNO's economic and social council "without vote and for consultative purposes."

The action was the first official UNO recognition of the new world labor organization which represents 60 million organized workers. WFTU had requested that it be made a voting member of the council.

Opposition to the invitation was expressed by Sen. Tom Connally, member of the U. S. delegation, who protested that it was discrimination against the AFL, which is the only important labor organization outside the WFTU.

Earlier, AFL Intl. Rep. Robert J. Watt, who is in London, put in a bid for AFL representation in the United Nations, asking that it "be accorded the same consultative or other status as may constitutionally be accorded the WFTU by any organ of the United Nations."

## AFL Cooks Aid Auto Strikers; Prepare Meals, Serve Pickets

Harrison, N. Jersey  
"We are grateful," wrote Pres. William Casper of the local auto workers to the cooks of Newark who have been helping to feed strikers at the big Hyatt roller bearing division plant of General Motors here.

The cooks, members of Local 399, Hotel and Restaurant Employees Intl. Alliance (AFL), have collected more than \$600, purchased food at wholesale prices and prepared it in the best professional manner for the strikers. High spot came when they threw a surprise Christmas party—complete with eats—for the wives and kiddies of the GM workers.

Answering the union's message of thanks, Bus Agent Hans Firmbach of Local 399 said:

"We cooks know that the belly has no ears, and it can't be filled with fine words. Our members prescribe nourishing, wholesome food, and we will continue to aid these people who are standing up for justice until they win."

## Boilermakers' Headquarters Will Cost Two Million Bucks

Kansas City, Kansas  
A 5-story office building, to cost \$2 million, will be erected here by the Intl. Brotherhood of Boilermakers.

The building is to be constructed in the business section and will be designed for medical offices. The union already owns a building here, part of which serves as its headquarters.

## FEDERATION MEET PLANS TO BACK POLITICAL CANDIDATES California Labor Bodies Asked to Send Delegates

(Release from office of California State Federation of Labor)

San Francisco, Calif.  
A joint meeting of members of the Executive Council of the California State Federation of Labor and representatives of all other AFL councils in the state of California to consider the endorsement of candidates seeking statewide political office, has been called for March 23 at 10 a.m. at the Hotel Senator in Sacramento.

Preceding the conference, on Friday evening, March 22, candidates seeking endorsement will be interviewed, and the results reported to the conference. On March 24, Sunday, the Executive Council of the Federation will meet to consider the recommendations of the conference and take whatever action it may decide.

Each Council has been invited to send two delegates. Original and duplicate credentials have been mailed with the request that the duplicate credential be filled out and sent to the Federation office, and the original be given to the delegates elected by the Council.

This conference is expected to be the largest of its kind ever held by the Federation.

## Just 'Tuning Up'



The contempt Sen. Theodore G. Bilbo (D., Miss.), has for the people of the U. S. and the Senate body is apparent in this pose he struck as he "rehearsed" for his part in filibuster against Fair Employment Practices bill. To defeat bill, which guarantees right to work without discrimination, poll-tax bloc of Southern senators has tied up Senate in ridiculous debate, holding up important legislation. (Federated Pictures)

## To Bust Unions



Latest and worst bill being steam-rollered through Congress is anti-strike measure introduced by Rep. Francis Case (R., S.D.), above. A "more effective" substitute for President Truman's labor-condemned fact-finding bill, it nullifies the Wagner Act and thrusts labor back to the injunction days. Unions are united in fight against bill's adoption. (Federated Pictures)

## ASKS LABOR BACKING OF DEDUCTIONS FOR BONDS

Expressing great appreciation of the appeal recently made by AFL President William Green for unionists to continue with the purchase of bonds through payroll savings, Gilbert E. Hyatt, chief of the labor section of the bonds division of the Treasury Dept., calls attention to a poster released for display which shows workers how they can schedule their purchases.

"Numerous labor unions and employers indicate that they wholeheartedly favor the idea," says Hyatt. "The consensus of employers is that they will be glad to continue the plan if their employees really want it."

Hyatt asks that the new posters be displayed in all shops and that the workers promote the continuance of payroll savings as much as possible.

## Supreme Court Will Render Vital Ruling On 'Jimcrow' Setup

Washington, D. C.  
The constitutionality of the "Jimcrow" laws of 13 southern states will meet a major test before the U. S. Supreme Court soon.

On an appeal by Irene Morgan, who was fined \$10 for refusing to leave a front seat on a bus running from Norfolk, Va. to Baltimore, Md., the court said it would review the Virginia law.

Under the Virginia statute Negro passengers are required to use the rear seats of buses traveling through the state. Miss Morgan was arrested at Saluda, Va. After appealing a circuit court decision, she took her case to the Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals, which found the segregation regulation "reasonable."

## YOU AND YOUR JOB What You Should Know About Law

### The Wagner Act and the State

Many workers seem to think that the National Labor Relations Board can be called in on any dispute involving the right of collective bargaining or unfair labor practice by an employer. This is not true. The Wagner Act covers only cases where the firm or company involved is ruled as doing an INTERSTATE business. It is a FEDERAL law and operates as such.

The question arises, then: Does a state government have jurisdiction over unfair practice of companies doing business within the state? The answer to that one is that the state can and will if it has a "little Wagner Act" (or STATE labor relations act.) If it has such an act it can assume jurisdiction of the case, but it loses it if the NLRB decides it has proper jurisdiction and takes over. Here in California, we do not have a "little Wagner Act," although Organized Labor has tried repeatedly to get the State Legislature to pass one.



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## The Labor Editor Speaks

## WE'RE REGUSTED!

Maybe we're speaking out of turn, but we're going to speak anyway: This business of the navy spending the vast sum of \$300 million to drop some A-bombs on some boat strikes us as the acme of something or other. Scientists have made careful check-ups on what the bomb did at Los Alamos, Hiroshima and Nagasaki. Why is it necessary to spend \$300 million to find out what it can do to some boats? Three hundred million, if we're just crazy about spending it, will buy beans, spuds, powdered milk and eggs for a lot of starving peoples in Europe and Asia, and if we don't want to send it for that purpose it can come in mighty handy in the form of subsidies to keep down the prices of butter and other foods at home. And the boats themselves? Well, the Army has been telling us that one reason it can't bring the boys back home more quickly is because of the lack of transportation. Can't any of these vessels, scheduled for A-bomb vaporizing, be used to haul disgusted and homesick soldiers back to the States?

The whole business seems on the sappy side—a typical “brass hat” stunt. Even the layman has a petty good idea in advance that the bomb will do to the boats. This grandiose “experiment” will not make the United States any more secure against aggression. So why soak every man, woman and child in the United States a couple of bucks to go through with waste that borders on lunacy?

## BRING ON THE BEEFS!

Lots of people get jittery when they read about accusations and recriminations among nations at the meeting of the UNO in London. As a matter of fact, we should be joyful about it. Why? Because at last we have set up some international machinery through which such disputes, instead of being allowed to fester behind the scenes into the sores of war, can be placed in the limelight so that everybody can get a good look at them. So long as human beings are on this planet there will be disagreements, resentments, envies and suspicions. The purpose of the UNO is to serve as a clearing-house for such tiffs and to settle them by compromise. If the Soviet Union snarls at Britain and vice versa, let the snarls be subject to pitiless publicity through the searchlight of UNO discussion. The very fact that all nations, through an international organization, now have a chance to damn or defend actions by any of the nations (including the members of the all-powerful Security Council) is reason for optimism, not discouragement. Most of the diplomatic dirty work in this world is done behind the curtain. Washing dirty linen in public helps to reduce dirt to a minimum!

## LESSON IN ECONOMICS

When manufacturers go on strike until they get their taxes lowered, that's just “good business.”

When dairymen go on strike against butter production until they are guaranteed greater profits out of it, that is “free enterprise.”

When cattlemen refuse to send their beef to the stockyards until the OPA hikes prices for meat, that's their glorious right as “free Americans.”

BUT, when workingmen go on strike to get some of these profits to buy grub and pay rent and keep their heads above water—THAT is “calloused disregard of the public,” “conspiracy against our free enterprise system,” “Moscow-inspired disruption,” “industrial blackmail,” “labor-dictator thuggery,” etc.

You see, there is really nothing wrong about the strike weapon—if it is used only by the “right people!”

## ARISE, YE POOR SLAVES!

The American Medical Association shrieks that if the Wagner-Murray-Dingell health insurance bill is passed we'll all become “slaves of the state.” But then, we poor Americans are used to slavery. Years ago we were enslaved by those terrible institutions, the public schools, and forced to learn how to read and write. Why, it's been simply totalitarian! And now three U. S. Senators come along and want to force us to have good health and live longer. More grinding state slavery. Patrick Henry said: “Give me liberty or give me death.” The American Medical Association wants to give us both!

## THE MAJESTIC LAW

The S. F. Chronicle admonishes Labor to quit striking and thus prevent anti-strike legislation. But, of course, this doesn't apply to Capital, which can hold up production (strike) any time it pleases with impunity. This reminds us of that deliciously ironic remark of Anatole France: “The law, in its majestic equality, forbids the rich as well as the poor to steal bread and sleep under bridges.”

## THE MARCH OF LABOR



## Large Business Control Is Democracy's Crisis

A policy of expansion almost creates itself, and it is a policy rather than a board of directors that governs the lives of 100,000 employees in an automobile plant and of millions of consumers in markets far and near. Expansion leads to international trusts and to cartels which exercise powers that bear an uncomfortable resemblance to those of nations, and which are exercised through agreements akin to treaties and through foreign representatives who are virtually private ambassadors. When the natural resources of a backward country are to be exploited, as we see in the case of near eastern oil, governments become the partners or at least the accessories of the international trust and cartel. The issue that democracy faces is clear enough. On the one hand, we have financiers and their scientific and technological experts who are highly competent in making the most of chemistry and physics; and on the other hand, a congress composed largely of country lawyers and small businessmen who know virtually nothing of science and technology, yet who must legislate on the uses of both. Who is to rule—large business and the new caste of experts, or the people through their chosen representatives?—Waldemar Kaempfer in the magazine TOMORROW.



CHIEF JUSTICE STONE and the SUPREME COURT, by Samuel J. Konofsky. Published by The Macmillan Company, 60 Fifth Avenue, New York. Price \$3.00. An instructor in political science at Brooklyn College, Dr. Konofsky is eminently qualified to discuss his subject, for he is teaching both graduate and undergraduate courses in American government and constitutional law. His work on Chief Justice Stone is not a biography, but an analysis of constitutional law and high court decisions as seen through the eyes of the Chief Justice.

Stone, you will remember, was appointed to the Supreme Court way back in 1925 by President Calvin Coolidge. It was believed that he would be a lifetime adherent of the “rugged individualism,” “no government interference” school. This was a natural assumption as he had long served as consulting attorney for the big corporations. But gradually, to the vast disappointment of his tory backers, he took on a “liberal” tinge and critical Supreme Court

decisions (particularly in the early New Deal days) found him on the side of Holmes, Brandeis and Cardozo. It was President Roosevelt who elevated him to his present position as Chief Justice.

This book is written for the layman as well as for the lawyer and is an interesting approach to the subject of theories on constitutional law. The taxing power, commerce clause and state power, scope of federal power, restraint on the administration process, safeguarding civil liberties are the general chapter headings, and there is an introduction by Charles A. Beard.

—AES.



“Pop, I’m worried about you,” Little Luther announced. “You don’t have to worry,” said Mr. Dilworth grinning, “you’re not getting that increase.”

Little Luther laughed lightly. “Whatever made you think I’m talking about that. No, as a matter of fact,” he said, concernedly, “you haven’t been looking so well lately. Your hair’s been falling out, you’ve got that tell-tale gray complexion and—I know I shouldn’t say this out loud—but I’ve noticed you have pink tooth brush.”

“Luther,” shouted Mr. Dilworth, “will you stop talking like a radio commercial and come to the point?”

“Well, frankly, old man, don’t you think it’s about time that you retired?”

Mr. Dilworth’s eyes filled with sentimental tears. “Son,” he said, “I didn’t think you cared how hard I worked.”

“Oh, but I do,” Little Luther insisted. “There you are shut up in that stuffy old plant all day, no one to talk to but supervisors, you have to have your food smuggled in . . . oh, it’s really tough.”

Mr. Dilworth stared at his son suspiciously. “How do you know?”

“Because I’ve been marching on that picketline outside your plant all day in the nice warm snow.”

## Valentine Stuff



Valentines, Adele Mara hints, should be sent by mail. So should other messages, Western Union strikers in New York remind us. (Federated Pictures)

## Machinists Will Return to AFL If Get Guarantee

Washington.—Upon receipt of assurances of “fair and unbiased treatment from the AFL Executive Council,” the International Association of Machinists will “gladly turn over to the AFL the more than \$100,000 of withheld per capita tax” and “take its chances in working out equitably any specific jurisdictional differences which may arise,” IAM President Harvey W. Brown said January 25 upon his return from Miami.

Brown, whose executive council seat was declared vacant at Miami and almost immediately filled by President John L. Lewis of the United Mine Workers, said that when the IAM returned to the AFL fold at the 1943 convention in Boston, it had the promise of the federation “to do everything in its power to help the machinists’ union in handling jurisdictional disputes.”

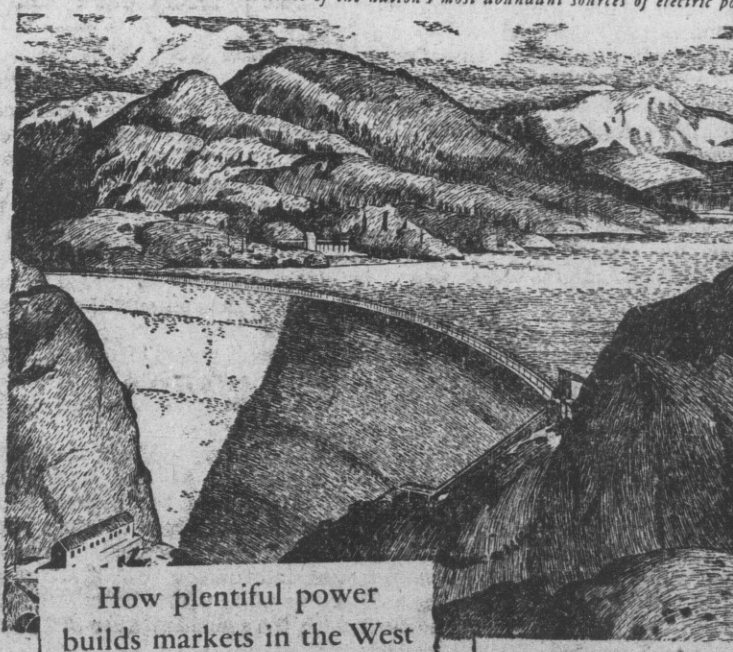
“The AFL officers broke this promise to the machinists union. Instead of assisting the IAM, they continued to aid and encourage such unions as the Operating Engineers, the Carpenters, and the Street Car Men, to continue raiding the machinist membership and trespassing on the jurisdiction of the machinists union.”

“Thus, the reason why the IAM has deferred payments of its per capita tax to the AFL is the broken promises of the officers of the A. F. of L.” Brown said. The IAM is holding a referendum on “whether the machinists union would fight to protect its members and its trade,” Brown declared, adding that because there is some opposition, it is not justification enough for AFL President William Green to say “our union is divided.”

Brown said the statement “credited to Mr. Green that it was the decision of Harvey W. Brown to break away from the AFL” is untrue. He placed the responsibility on the executive council and declared accounts of Green’s statements in Miami appeared to be “somewhat tainted.”

“MORE TRUTH THAN”—He had just boarded the ship when he was handed a telegram. It read: “Heaven keep you from loving wife.”

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## GIGGLES AND GROANS

## SAFETY FIRST

BETTY, in her revealing bathing suit, was working with a pair of dumb-bells when her room mate entered.

LETTY: “What in the world are you exercising for at this time of day?”

BETTY: “Bill wired that he was coming in from his Seattle run, and I know he'll want to wrestle.”

## FAIR WARNING

The waitress had just accepted a ride on a truck to the big town. She was taking a hurried look at herself in the mirror. To the image therein she said: “Clothes, I am going to town; if you want to come along, just hang on.”

## FROM THE SAME JUG

DOCTOR: Nurse, how's the truck driver patient in 339?

NURSE: All right. He saw four pink elephants!

DOCTOR: That's odd. I only saw one!

## SECURITY PERSONIFIED

MOE: “Say, what makes old maids?”

ZOE: “Nobody.”

## DAMAGE REPARABLE

A life guard describing his latest rescue to a rural father said, “I pulled your daughter out just in the nick of time. But fortunately I was able to resuscitate her.”

The pop replied: “Well, by George, young man, if you did you'll marry her.”

## JUST GETTING SET

TEACHER: “Johnny, why can't you speak more distinctly? Have you gum in your mouth?”

JOHNNY: “No. I'm soaking a prune to eat at recess.”

## ALL IS FORGIVEN

She planted herself firmly in front of him and gritted her teeth. “Henry,” she snapped, “you thought I didn't see you, but I did. You kissed the maid.”

He paled. “But, darling, you asked me to try and persuade her to stay another week.”

“Henry,” she melted, “tell me did she promise to stay?”

## HUBBY AND BIDDY

And then there's the story of the man and his wife who both talk in their sleep. He's a golfer and she likes to attend auction sales. The other night he yelled “Fore” and she came back with “Four twenty-five.”

## BETTER IN REVERSE

“Do you think the senator put enough fire in his speech?”

“My opinion is that he didn't put enough of his speech in the fire.”

## REVENGE AT LAST

“This weather reminds me of the time I was in Alaska. It got so cold one night that the lampflame froze.”

“Yes, you scoundrel, and I've been looking for you these 40 years. You broke that flame off and threw it out, right against my shack. Next day the flame melted and burned it down.”

## THE REAL TRAGEDY

A Sunday School teacher was showing her class a picture of the Christian martyrs in a den of lions. One little boy seemed very sad about it.

“Gee,” he exclaimed, “look at that poor lion away in the back. He won't get any.”

There is no liberty for the man without an income.

## WIRE YOUR SENATOR! House Votes Case Bill, But Can Be Licked in Senate

Although the House finally passed the Case anti-labor bill on a roll call vote of 258 to 155, the situation from the long view appears better than it would seem at first glance, according to some key Congressional figures.

First, the bill was written and sponsored by a Republican, Rep. Francis Case from a rural district in South Dakota.

Next, as it was finally passed, it carried language that clearly strikes at the heart of the Norris-LaGuardia anti-injunction act. This law, signed by President Hoover, is one of the few to which the Republican party has been able to show as proof of its regard for organized labor.

Finally, it was the deliberate strategy of the members from the larger industrial districts to vote against the bill, but not to offer amendments to tone it down. This was done with the hope that one of two things will occur:

1. The bill will be so viciously anti-labor that the Senate will not pass it.  
2. If the Senate does pass it, President Truman will be obliged to veto it.

In the event the Senate kills the Case bill, there will be no chance for anti-labor legislation for many weeks, possibly several months. A new bill would require public hearings in both Houses.

## STILL HAVE VETO

Should the Senate ignore the danger signals and pass the Case bill, there are more than enough votes in the House to uphold Truman's veto—and it then would be as dead as a dodo. This argument is based on an assured veto, which most Democratic leaders insist will be forthcoming as a matter of high administration policy and politics.

The warning sounded on the House floor that the Case bill knifed the heart of the Norris-LaGuardia act came from Rep. Vito Marcantonio (ALP, N.Y.), one of the big-city leaders who guided the strategy of the friends of labor.

## All CIO Unions Asked by AFL to 'Return to Fold'

Miami, Florida

All labor unions, including the rival CIO, were invited to come “home to the parent federation” as the AFL executive council closed its midwinter meeting here. The appeal was construed by some newsmen as the AFL's first shot in a major organizing campaign.

Cheered by the return of the United Mine Workers, the AFL council authorized a committee of its vice-presidents to hunt for a new headquarters site in Washington. Among them was 13th Vice Pres. John L. Lewis.

At the closing session, the AFL council authorized Pres. William Green to send telegrams to members of the House denouncing the bill introduced by Rep. Francis Case (R., S.D.) to control strikes.

The wires said the bill would cause “confusion, chaos, injustice, and will disrupt industrial relations.” Green also took occasion to denounce the filibuster by polltax southern Democrats to prevent action on the permanent FEPC bill, saying that the matter should be allowed to come up for a vote.

The VFW post further blasted “any attempt to utilize veterans as vigilantes or strikebreaking muscle men.”

## Effort to Use Vets to Break Strikes Flayed By Post Chiefs

Huntington Park, Calif.

“They looked husky enough to keep any striker in his place.” For that reason the U. S. Employment Service here referred three veterans to a private detective agency in nearby Los Angeles, which was recruiting strikebreakers.

But the three vets—Al Rowan, Paul T. Huckaby and Gene M. Sills—were members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Earle W. Odell post, half of whose members are union men.

So they weren't having any strike-busing jobs and they quickly reported the USES attempt to their post, which demanded that referral of strikebreakers “be discontinued immediately and the USES remain entirely neutral in strike situations.”

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## How's Your POWER I.Q.?

Can you tell which of the following statements are correct? If not, you will find the correct answers in the advertisement printed at left, which is being published in Time and Saturday Evening Post, the fourth of a series of Pacific Gas and Electric Company advertisements to attract new industry to Northern California.

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BAKERS 24—Meets 3rd Saturday at Teamsters Hall, John and Main, at 5 p.m. Pres. Judson F. Flint, 201 Archer, phone 3298. Secy., Louie Grasso, 251 Clay St., phone 8819. Bus. Agent, Hans Top, 1128 Laurie Ave., San Jose, phone Ballard 6341. Office at 72 N. Second St., San Jose, phone Ballard 6341.

BARBERS 827—Meets 3rd Monday at Teamsters Hall, John and Main, at 8 p.m. Pres. John Durnell, 533 E. Alisal. Secretary, Leon J. Smith, 117 Main St., phone 4302.

BARTENDERS 545—Meets 1st and 3rd Monday at 2 p.m. at Teamsters Hall, John and Main Sts. Pres. Eddie Rose. Secy. and Business Agent, Karl E. Hess. Office at Teamsters Hall, phone 6209.

BUTCHERS UNION 506 (Salinas Branch)—Pres. Geo. Gilbert; Vice Pres. Bill Steinmuller; Fin. Sec., Harry Boeh; Rec. Sec., Jim Erington. (Earl Moorhead, Exec. Sec. office phone San Jose, Columbia 2132). Del Monte Ave.

CARPENTERS 925—Meets first and third Tuesdays at 7:30. Carpenters Hall, North Main Street. Pres., Ray Luna. Vice-Pres., I. R. Miller. Business Agent, George Harter, 422 North Main Street, phone 5721. Financial Secy., L. H. Taft, 243 Clay Street, phone 4243. Treas., O. O. Little. Recording Secy., Amos Schofield, 422 North Main.

CARPENTERS AUXILIARY 373—Meets 2nd and 4th Wednesday at Carpenters Hall at 8 p.m. President, Mrs. Ed Francis; Vice-President, Mrs. Ray Luna; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Aubrey Cunningham; Treasurer, Mrs. Mark Pilliar; Warden, Mrs. Bert Nelson; Conductress, Mrs. Earl Van Emon.

CENTRAL LABOR UNION (MONTEREY COUNTY)—Meets every Friday evening at 8 p.m. at Teamsters Hall, John and Main Sts. Pres., Peter A. Andrade, phone 4833. Secy.-Treas., George Harter, 422 N. Main, phone 5721. Council Negotiation Committee: Albert Harris, phone 4833; George Harter, phone 5721.

CULINARY ALLIANCE 467—No regular meetings scheduled, and subject only to call. Secretary Bertha A. Boles. Office at Teamsters Hall, Main and John Sts., phone 6209.

ELECTRICAL WORKERS 243—Meets the first Tuesday in each month at the Labor Temple, 117 Pajaro St., at 8:00 p.m. C. B. Philips, Bus. Mgr. Phone 3361, 25 Harvest St. E. M. Mills, Pres. Phone 6524.

ENGINEERS (OPERATING) 165—Meets 2nd Monday at Teamsters Hall, John and Main Sts., at 8 p.m. Pres., C. R. Ingersoll, P.O. Box 2. Freedom. Secretary, Harry Vosburgh, 404 California St., Salinas, phone 4972.

LABORERS 272—Meets second Monday of each month at 8:00 p.m. at 117 Pajaro St. R. Fenchel, Pres., 17 Railroad Ave.; J. F. Mattos, Sec., 104 Lang St., Salinas; J. B. McGinley, Bus. Agent, office at 117 Pajaro St.

LATHERS UNION NO. 463—Meets in Salinas Labor Temple second and fourth Fridays, 8 p.m. President, Roy R. Benge, Hilby St., Monterey. Phone Monterey 4820; Sec.-Treas., Dean S. Seefeldt, 526 Park St., Salinas, Phone 9233.

LAUNDRY WORKERS 252—Meets on call in Teamsters Hall, Main and John Streets. Mildred Clayton, president and business agent. Phone 4717.

PAINTERS 1104—Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 117 Pajaro Street at 7:30 p.m. Pres., Earl Ross. Fin. Secy. and Business Agent, Donald McBeth, 1014 Le Costa Street, phone 4126. Recording Secy., Dennis Hartman, 614 Mae Ave., phone 8783.

PLASTERERS 763—Meets second and fourth Friday of the month at 8:00 p.m., at Rodeo Cafe; Fred Randon, Secretary, 31 Buena Vista, Salinas, phone 1423; Pres., Don Frick.

PLUMBERS AND STEAM FITTERS UNION Local 503—Meets Second Wednesday of each month, 8:00 p.m., Salinas Labor Temple, Pres. Al Evers; Recording Secretary, William Farr, Financial Secretary, C. Russell Walker, 312 E. Pajaro St., Salinas, phone 9259. Office at 215 E. Alisal St., Phone 3463. Ex. Board meets each Tuesday night at Labor Temple.

POSTAL CARRIERS 1046—Meets every 3rd Monday alternately at homes of members at 8:30 p.m. President, L. E. Pierce, 43 Romer Lane, phone 3173. Secretary, H. C. Schireck, 636 El Camino Real, No. 7080.

PRESSMEN 328—Meets last Tuesday of month, alternating between Salinas and Watsonville. Pres., Milo Wingard, 339 West St., Salinas, Secretary, Milo Martella, 225 Monterey St., Salinas.

ROOFERS 50—Meets 3rd Friday, 8 p.m., Watsonville Labor Temple; Pres., E. E. Lehr, 142 11th St., Pacific Grove, Sec., Frank Walker, 327 Alexander St., Salinas, phone 9668.

SHEET METAL WORKERS 304—Meets 1st Friday alternately at Monterey at 411 1/2 Alvarado St., and at Salinas at 117 Pajaro St. (This local has jurisdiction over Monterey and Santa Cruz counties.) Pres., John Alsop, P.O. Box 317, Pacific Grove, phone 7325. Fin. and Rec. Secy., F. F. Knowles, 232 River St., Santa Cruz, phone 1276-J. Bus. Agent for Salinas area, J. B. McGinley, 117 Pajaro St., Salinas, phone 6777. Bus. Agent for Monterey, L. T. Long, 411 1/2 Alvarado St., Monterey.

STATE, COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES 420—Meets on call at Labor Temple, Pres., R. H. Clinch, 348 1/2 West Street, Vice-Pres., H. E. Lyons, 15 West Street. Secy.-Treas., R. M. Allen, 124 East Alisal Street.

SUGAR REFINERY WORKERS 2016—President, J. Collins; Secretary-treasurer, R. MacRae; Recording secretary, H. Dies. Meet in Forrester's Hall, Salinas, 2nd and 4th Mondays at 7:30 p.m.

TEAMSTERS 287—Meets first Wednesday in Oct., Jan., April, July at Teamsters Hall, John and Main Sts., Salinas, phone 7590.

THEATRICAL STAGE EMPLOYEES AND MOTION PICTURE OPERATORS 611—Meets first Tuesday every other month 10 a.m. in Watsonville Labor Temple; Pres., Art Reina, 605 Mae Ave., Phone 9795; Bus. Agent, James Wilson, 80 Peyton St., Santa Cruz, Phone 1216. Rec. Sec., Chas. Covey, 364 Walnut Ave., Santa Cruz.

TYPOGRAPHICAL UNION NO. 543—R. C. Sprague, Salinas, Pres.; A. C. Davis, Sec.-Treas., 109 Prospect St., Watsonville. Meets last Sunday, alternating between Watsonville and Salinas.

WAREHOUSEMEN 890—Meets first Tuesday night at Teamsters Hall, John and Main streets. Office at same address, phone 4893. President, Albert Harris. Secretary, W. G. Kenyon. Financial secretary and business representative, Peter A. Andrade.

## MINUTES

## Central Labor Council

Minutes of the meeting of Feb. 5, 1946. The meeting was called to order by President McCutcheon.

The roll call showed the presence of 12 delegates from 7 locals. Regular officers present were Pres. McCutcheon, V. P. Johnson and Sec.-Treas. Edwards. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as read.

Numerous communications were presented and considered.

The secretary reported that letters had been delivered to the proprietors of Dan Simpson's and the Pelican Barber Shops of Pacific Grove, citing them to appear at this meeting. Neither one appeared. It was moved, seconded and passed that these two shops be placed on the WE DO NOT PATRONIZE LIST of this council. It was moved, seconded and passed that the secretary write a letter to affiliated locals, calling their attention to the unfair list.

The Barbers reported that the president of the Musicians union is operating a non-union barber shop. It was moved, seconded and passed that the secretary write to the secretary of the Musicians Union reporting this condition and asking for further information regarding it.

It was moved, seconded and passed to telegraph to our representatives in Congress protesting against the Case Bill H.R. 5262.

The president urged each affiliated local to have at least one delegate present at each meeting of the Council.

## REPORTS OF DELEGATES

The Glass Bottle Blowers reported that they are getting along O.K. now. They are to have a meeting next Sunday.

The Cannery Workers reported that they have had very few fish this season and that about the only activity on Cannery Row has been the building of new canneries. Their next meeting will be Feb. 18. They are planning a dance to be given March 1.

The Fishermen reported that they have had a very poor season. The Bartenders reported that they are now in the process of negotiating a new wage scale. They initiated 19 new members at their last meeting. Their books are now closed to new initiations for bartenders except for ex-servicemen. Some of their regular members are now unemployed. They report a very good meeting.

The financial report was read and accepted and the meeting adjourned.

WAYNE EDWARDS,  
Secretary.

## Nylons? They're 'Stacked Up' to Get More Dough

Washington, D. C. American hosiery manufacturers produced over 3 1/2 million dozen pairs of nylon stockings during 1945. Of these, less than 13 thousand dozen pairs were exported during the year according to Department of Commerce figures.

The exported nylons went mostly to Mexico and Cuba where there is no OPA price ceiling, but the remainder, a whopping total enough to give each woman in the land several pairs, are stacked up in some warehouse as the makers hope that OPA will lift retail prices.

## 1000 Men for 3 Years Need on Folsom Dam

More than 1,000 men will be employed for three years on construction of the proposed Folsom Dam, army engineers estimate. Peak employment will probably reach 2500, with hundreds of others indirectly employed in the manufacture of equipment and materials for the dam.

Steel gates and power penstocks will be built in factories, cement will be produced in local mills, steel will have to be rolled and miles of pipe will be required. In addition hundreds of thousands of board feet of lumber from California forests will be needed for concrete forms, buildings, etc.

## West Teamsters Meet in Seattle

Tenth Western Conference of Teamsters will be held in Seattle at the Olympic Hotel from April 1 through 6. Thirteen divisions will hold meetings, and a general meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 3, at 8 p.m., with the Legal, Publicity and Statistical Division.

Division meets on the slate are: Automotive, Building Construction, Laundry & Dry Cleaners, Bakery, General Hauling, Cannery Workers, Dairy Council, Beverage, Highway, Warehouse, Log Haulers, Chauffeurs, and Miscellaneous Sales Drivers.

## I.L.O. Will Meet in Seattle Next June

International Labor Office will hold an important international meeting for maritime countries in Seattle in June. It is inviting delegates from all interested government and industrial units. American shipowners have been asked to certify six delegates through the department of labor.

## AFL Executive Council Meets



Taking part in AFL executive council session in Miami, Fla., is President John L. Lewis of United Mine Workers, who has reaffiliated his union with AFL. L to r: Pres. William C. Doherty of Natl. Assn. of Letter Carriers; Pres. David Dubinsky of Intl. Ladies Garment Workers; Lewis; AFL Sec.-Treas. George Meany, AFL Pres. William Green; Pres. W. D. Mahon of Amalgamated Assn. of Street Electric Railway & Motor Coach Employees; AFL 2nd Vice-Pres. Matthew Woll, and Sec. G. M. Bugnizet of Intl. Bro. of Electrical Workers. (Federated Pictures)

## Do You Know?

—That you should always look for the union shop cards in the windows of the following places of business: Barbers, Beauticians, Boilermakers, Retail Stores, Restaurants, Bars, Machine Shops, Butcher Shops, Service Stations?

—That AFL unions which maintain and display such shop cards in shops and places of business are the Barbers' Union (including Beauticians), Boilermakers' Union, Retail Clerks Union, Hotel and Restaurant Employees, Machinists, Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Teamsters?

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Attention All Lettuce Drivers! — Your demands for \$1.30 per hour, the 8-hour day, preferential employment, vacations and seniority have been presented to all of the employers. Negotiations are proceeding favorably. You will be notified to attend a special meeting in the very near future. In the meantime, keep in touch with the Union office.

To all members at Raiter Cannery Company: Please read the Cannery Report. This paper will give you all the information you need as to what progress is being made with reference to negotiations with the cannery. Any conditions arrived at between the Council and the Cannery in Northern California will be a basis of negotiations with the Frank Raiter Cannery Company.

To all members employed at the Spiegel Foods Company: By the time you receive this paper the last half of the cabbage season should begin. This should run to May 15.

To all members in the ice industry: The U. S. Conciliation Service has been asked to sit in, in any future negotiations with the Salinas ice industry. Retroactive dates as of January 1 are established and the employers have offered us \$c for inside men and 10c for drivers. You will be notified in the event any favorable news is forthcoming.

To all members employed in the Watsonville ice industry: Your contract with that industry is prepared for signature on the part of the employer. As soon as these contracts are signed, copies will be posted in all places you work.

**IMPORTANT**, to all members in the Gilroy area: Beginning with the first week in March, the office of the Union at 53 W. 6th Street, Gilroy, will be open every Thursday only until further notice. Any one desiring to pay dues, and who is unable to reach the office on that day, please send in your dues by mail. We are glad to report that progress is being made in negotiations with the C. B. Gentry Company.

The office girl at Gilroy, Miss Dolores Del Razo is taking her two weeks vacation beginning the latter part of the month.

To all our members employed at the Sam Regas &amp; Sons: Please cooperate with the shop stewards at that plant and convey any grievances to him. In the event you are unable to pay your dues to the Business Agent when he comes through, please purchase a money order covering your dues and mail it to our office. We will receipt your book and will mail it back to you.

If any of our members are not receiving the International magazine, please notify us.

In the event you become sick or disabled, please report it to the office of the Union, either by card, phone or in person. Your sickness will be recognized only from the day it is reported to the office of the Union. In order to be eligible for benefits, your current month's dues should be paid before the 15th day.

Many of our members through accidents have lost many days of employment; and your Union is going to bend every effort to see that Safety Committees are organized in all of our operations. It is a State law that in the event an injury is received in the employ of a firm, you shall be covered under the Industrial Accident Commission; however, many of our members allow the status of limitation to expire which is only six months, after which it becomes rather difficult to acquire any benefits from the Insurance Company. Please report any delay in receiving compensation to the office of the Union. We have had 21 cases in the past year out of which we have won 17.

In the event you are confused as to eligibility for unemployment insurance, call at the office of the Union or drop a card—a booklet will be mailed to you which will answer the majority of questions you may have in mind.

Be ever mindful of your obligations. Patronize Union services and do not forget to continue to purchase U. S. Victory Bonds.

To all of our members in Salinas: Please remember the Retail Clerks, A. F. of L., who are organizing in this area. Our Union is desirous that these Retail Clerks who are now receiving rates of pay as low as 40c per hour be paid living wages; and the only way that can be accomplished is to band themselves together into a Union. In turn this will strengthen all of labor in this area. Who knows, you may be working as a Retail Clerk next and no doubt you would want a living wage and not 40c or 45c per hour. Any additional information can be procured by contacting the office of your Union.

Your President Albert Harris left the hospital a few days ago and is now convalescing at home—you will see him back on the job within the next two weeks. The following received sick benefits this week:

Jessie Holt, Salinas; Pearl Malory, Salinas; Irene Wilson, Salinas; Marvin Morris, Salinas; Gertrude Lass, Gilroy; Martha Morrow, Salinas; Artie Moss, Greenfield; Cyndie Barnett, Salinas; Herschel Emberson, Salinas.

**MINUTES****Bldg. Trades Council**

Minutes of Building and Construction Trades Council of Monterey County, Feb. 7, 1946. Meeting called to order by President Wm. J. Dickerson at 8 p.m. Roll call showed the following Locals represented: Brick Masons No. 16, 0; Brick Masons No. 7, 2; Carpenters 1323, 3; Electric Workers 1072, 2; Hod Carriers and Laborers 690, 2; Painters 272, 3; Plasterers 337, 1; Plumbers 62, 2; Roofers 50, 0; Sheet Metal Workers 304, 2; Teamsters 287, 0. The minutes of the previous meeting was read and approved.

**CREDENTIALS**  
Sheet Metal Workers L.U. 304, presented credentials for Brother Martin Anderson. It was moved, and seconded that the credentials of Brother Anderson be accepted and the delegate seated—carried. All bills were ordered paid.**CORRESPONDENCE**  
Received a letter from the State Federation of Labor, requesting two delegates to be sent to Sacramento March 23, 1946, to attend a meeting where public office seekers will be given a chance to gain the support of Organized Labor. It was moved and seconded that the president and secretary of the council attend the meeting—carried.

Received three letters from the State Building and Construction Trades Council of California, giving their report on the activities of the State Legislature.

Two Weekly News Letters from the State Federation of Labor.

A letter from the Dept. of Industrial Relations, stating that Mr. C. W. Martin, Safety Engineer, will be in Monterey the latter part of February.

**BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT**  
There are seven new homes started in the past two weeks, the material is short in most all lines, but all the men are busy and there is a demand for craftsmen and at times there are not enough laborers. I have taken 123 applications for Laborers L.U. 690 since Dec. 12, 1945. Work has started on demolishing building at Asilomar where it is reported there is a year's work in construction. The Representative of the Fish Cannery Workers request a meeting with a committee from the Building Trades Council. The report was accepted.**NEW BUSINESS**  
It was moved and seconded that the Executive Board meet with the Cannery Workers—carried.

The report of the trustees was read and approved.

**VISITORS**  
Brothers John M. Crotty and Wm. Litzul, members of Brick Masons L.U. No. 7, who are working in Monterey, was introduced to the Council. Brother John Crotty states the Brick Masons were out to help one of their members, Brother Ed Knowland, secure a seat on the State Board of Equalization. He states that Brother Knowland is a very worthy and well qualified man to hold the position.**REPORT OF LOCAL UNIONS**  
Brother Perry Luce, L.U. 690, Hod Carriers and Laborers, held a good meeting Feb. 3, 1946, and initiated 14 new members.

Brother Garrett, Electric Workers 1072, will meet Monday.

Brother Ken Olsen, Plasterers &amp; Cement Finishers 337, good meeting, asked that Mr. Jim Brady be not a member of the Plasterers be instructed to affiliate with the Plasterers Local Union.

Brother Alsop, Sheet Metal Workers 304, good meeting; they have an agreement out to be approved by the contractors asking a wage adjustment.

No further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

—L. T. LONG, Secretary.

**Street Carmen Asking  
41-Cent Pay Increase**Detroit, Mich.  
Operating employees of the city-owned Detroit streetcar and bus system are demanding a raise of 41c an hour in their new contract. They belong to Div. 26, Amalgamated Assn. of Street, Electric Railway & Motorcoach Employees (AFL).**Sin No More! . . . . Redfield**

"A raise? You should be ashamed!"

**'South of the Border'**

Bolivia's Trade Union Federation is fighting a rightwing attempt to set up a rival organization aimed at splitting labor and stopping wage increase campaign. . . . U. S. Govt. has promised to probe N. American companies in Chile whose imperialist policies endanger stability of Chilean government. . . . Mexico's Chamber of Deputies has called for abolition of all race discrimination in Hemisphere. . . . More than 35,000 Mexican silver miners struck recently after foreign-owned companies refused wage increases. . . . The Cuban Federation of Labor has condemned appeasement of Franco government in Spain, backs World Federation of Trade Unions. . . . Ecuador Federation of Labor has mobilized to demand payment for rest days, which would amount to 25 per cent annual wage increase. . . . Rank and file workers of Argentina denounce fake "General Labor Federation" of "Strongman" Peron, say workers forced to buy Peron's

campaign "bonds" under threat of losing union rights. . . . Council for Pan-American Democracy says relations between U. S. and Latin America "seriously deteriorated" during '45. . . . Panama's Trade Union Federation reports rapid growth. . . . Representative Vito Marcantonio predicts that the U. S. Congress will vote soon to offer independence to Puerto Rico. . . . Cuban Federation of National Peasants Association move for better rents, wages, farm credits and ag schools. . . . Bolivian Trade Union Federation for 100 per cent increase in wages, declare statistics show cost of living doubled in two years for no wage hike. . . . Ecuador's Labor Federation has presented investment plan to Social Security Board thru which accumulated funds can be invested in projects benefiting nation as a whole.

**Cost Comparison  
Of '40-'46 Food  
Bill Shows Need  
Of More Control**Glassport, Pa.  
In the midst of all this pressure for "price relief" for big steel, electrical, meat, building and clothing industrialists, the wives of their striking workers have, hidden away in kitchen drawers, evidence demanding another kind of "price relief."

Mrs. Margaret Antico, wife of a local striking Westinghouse worker and mother of two children, got out her old grocery bills to find out what was eating up her husband's paycheck. Here is what she is spending on food today compared to the prices on the stubs from 1940:

	1946	1940
Flour	\$1.35 per 25 lbs.	89c
Eggs	75c dozen	30-35c
Coffee	35c	28c
Milk	17c	14c
Stew meat	45c	27-28c
Bacon	40c	30c
Butter	65c	29c

Mrs. Antico's kind of price relief is what President Truman asked for recently when he told congressional leaders that early action extending the price control act was vital to block runaway inflation.

**They Convinced Him**

Following Pres. Truman's request that congressmen talk to the people back home on pending legislation, Sen. H. Alexander Smith (R, N. J.) held hearing on 65c minimum wage bill in Trenton, N. J., and listened to AFL and other groups speak for the bill. They convinced him. Here, he shakes hands with Pres. Louis Marcianite, right, of New Jersey Federation of Labor. (Federated Pictures)

**YOUR  
CONGRESSMAN  
REPORTS**By  
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I have just finished reading the "Victory" Annual Report of the Department of the Interior. This may seem like a strange thing about which to report to you. It is true that no one hears too much about Interior. It is not a spectacular agency, it is not often in the limelight or the center of headline-making controversies.

Interior is a Department that has, by and large, gone quietly about its business. But much of this work is of tremendous importance to this country and particularly to the West and California. The report is a sudden reminder that there is a capable government agency quietly performing services for us that are as necessary as breathing, but which we take as for granted as that function. The report also makes me feel that at least in the Department of the Interior, reconversion is going ahead smoothly.

**FOR EXAMPLE**

The Bureau of Reclamation (which built our Central Valley and which proudly relates that Shasta is one of the 3 biggest concrete dams in the world) helped to make possible, through irrigation, flood control and soil reclamation, the astounding level of food production that we experienced during the war. In conjunction with the Division of Power, a serious power deficiency was overcome. The major contributors to the great output were the hydroelectric plants in the West. The bulk of the power went to war plants, was used for processing 1/4 of the nation's aluminum. Huge blocks of public power supplied some of our atomic bomb projects.

But already the Bureau is planning its peacetime work. It must find new uses for its power in the development of new industry and new resources or we will have unemployed power—as hopeless and wasteful as unemployed men. According to plans for the future, 200,000 farms can be irrigated for veterans and others, jobs can be provided for over 400,000 and purchasing power in the West will be greatly increased.

The Bureau of Mines goes right ahead with its yeoman work of studying mine safety, coal products, synthetic fuels. The General Land Office controls land valued at 235 million dollars and has been responsible for the reforestation of 2 1/2 million acres in the West.

The Fish and Wildlife Service estimates that if all of our economic and game animal resources were to vanish from the continent tomorrow, it would amount to a catastrophic loss of over a hundred and forty billion dollars. California can well imagine how large its share of such a loss would be. This Division, then, quietly and constantly works to replenish our fish and animal life, to fight the forces acting to reduce such life. One of its most important pieces of work has been that of scientifically combating water pollution.

The National Park Service is planning an expansion of the recreation resources of Friant and Shasta Dams. The Office of Indian Affairs points with all the pride of a father to two Congressional Medals of Honor, 51 Silver Stars, 70 Air Medals, and 34 Distinguished Flying Crosses. The Division of Territories and Island Possessions makes an earnest appeal for the "24 million American citizens who are trying to evolve a sounder political relationship with us. . . ."

The War Relocation Authority has engaged in an energetic program of assistance to evacuees of Japanese ancestry. They have tried to help many return to their rightful homes and have relocated over 51,000 elsewhere. The Authority particularly tried to combat uncivilized acts of violence.

**PEACE AND PLANNING**  
One of Interior's major war jobs was "mobilizing minerals." The drain on our national mineral wealth was staggering. Our known usable reserves of 22 essential minerals have dwindled to a 35 year supply or less. Our domestic deposits of petroleum at the present rate of use will last from 14 to 30 years. Our highest grade of iron ore will be exhausted in about 22 years at the normal rate of use. In our proved domestic reserves, we have only a 2 year supply of usable manganese ore.

As Mr. Ickes puts it: "If we suffered the worst that could befall us, under attack, for a lack of metals, we would not merely suffer 'an unsuccessful war,' nor would we do our suffering academically on a certain page of a school history. We would suffer goose-stepping, and we would suffer it in our homes, and in our schools, and in our places of business." He points out that we would not be able to

get automobiles or refrigerators except at outrageous prices. There are hopeful signs. The U. S. has recently acquired the "Continental Shelf," an ocean floor 600 feet under water, surrounding this country and its territories. This shelf is rich in minerals, but it must be explored. Such projects as that planned for the Missouri Valley will develop new resources. We can begin a program of stockpiling, of research on synthetics. Mr. Ickes says: "If we do not remedy the situation, we will most certainly and indisputably wish that we had."

The whole report is certainly one made powerful arguments for doing our utmost to maintain a permanent peace. It is a powerful argument as well for PLANNING in many areas if we wish to keep America prosperous and secure.



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